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Checking In At MMC

Mount Marty's
New President
Pays A Visit To
Campus During
Alumni Weekend

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This past weekend, Mount Marty College (MMC) held an All Schools Reunion for its alumni members. But one of the attendees wasn't an alumni, but his presence was just as important: new MMC President Marcus Long.

"I love the college," he said with a smile Saturday. "One of the reasons I came here was when the students during the interview process told me how much the faculty and staff cared for and supported them. I

thought, 'That's an environment and culture I want to be a part of.'"

Before he formally begins as president next month, Long plans to get to know the community.

"I've been amazed at the warm welcoming and the attitude that everybody at Mount Marty has," said Long. "There's a willingness for people in Yankton to connect with the college and the college wants to do that with the people in the community."

Long's attitude is apparent to MMC staff members.



REILLY BIEL/P&D

Incoming Mount Marty College president Marcus Long was on hand in Yankton this weekend for the All Schools Reunion. Long officially takes over as MMC's president July 15.

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Saddle Up And Hold On!



ROB NIELSEN/P&D

T.Y. Sonenstahl of Hillman, Minnesota, tries to hold on the full eight seconds during the Saddle Bronc event at the 23rd annual Irene Rodeo Association rodeo Saturday. Sonenstahl was more than successful — scoring 74 points for his effort and earning him first place in the weekend's Saddle Bronc event. To see or purchase more images of this event, visit www.yankton.net/.

2nd Escaped NY Prisoner Shot, Caught

Escapee Apprehended Near Canadian Border

BY MICHAEL BALSAMO
Associated Press

MALONE, N.Y. — The second of two convicted murderers who staged a brazen escape three weeks ago from a maximum-security prison in northern New York was shot and captured near the Canadian border on Sunday, two days after his fellow inmate was killed in a confrontation with law enforcement, authorities said.

"The nightmare is finally over," Gov. Andrew Cuomo declared at a news conference.

A state police sergeant shot David Sweat in the town of Constable, about 1 1/2 miles south of the Canadian border and 30 miles northwest of the prison, after spotting him walking along a road and recognizing him, Cuomo said.

Sgt. Jay Cook was alone and on routine patrol when he stumbled upon Sweat. He gave chase when Sweat fled and decided to fire as the fugitive approached a tree line where Cook feared he would lose him, state police said.

"I can only assume he was going for the border," Superintendent Joseph D'Amico said.

The arrest ended a three-week ordeal that sent 1,300 local, state and federal law enforcement officers into the thickly

forested northern reaches of New York and forced residents to tolerate nerve-wracking armed checkpoints and property searches.

Sweat, who was unarmed, was struck twice in the torso and was taken to a hospital in stable condition, authorities said. He had not been formally interviewed by investigators as of late Sunday, but any information he provides could be critical to the investigation, Clinton County District Attorney Andrew Wylie said.

Sweat will be charged with escape, burglary and other charges, Wylie said. The inmates are suspected of breaking into some of the region's many cabins during their time on the lam. Wylie said prosecutors would wait for Sweat to recover before charging him.

His capture came two days after his escape partner, Richard Matt, was shot and killed by authorities. The men had been on the loose since June 6, when they cut their way out of a maximum-security prison about 30 miles away using power tools.

D'Amico said the men may have used black pepper to mask their trail; he said Sweat's DNA was recovered from pepper shakers found at one camp where the fugitives may have spent time.

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Fireworks Season Is A Time To Use Caution

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It's very important to be careful using fireworks for the sake of the people and surrounding property, especially at this time of year.

In 2013, 11,000 people in the country were injured due to fireworks. Sixty-five percent of these injuries occurred around July 4.

With the holiday just around the corner and relatively dry weather conditions, knowing how to use fireworks properly is crucial.

"The biggest injuries the hospital sees at this time is burns to the hands and face," Dr. Benjamin Aaker, MD, explained.

In his career, Aaker, a physician at Avera Sacred Heart and president of the South Dakota chapter of American College of Emergency Physicians, has seen approximately 40 cases involving firework injuries. Four to five of these injuries occur each year locally.

"Multiply my experience with four other physicians and you get the idea," Aaker said.

There are two types of injuries that occur from improper firework use: burns and lacerations. These injuries are typically caused by bottle



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rockets and sparklers.

The heat from sparklers is what usually causes the burns, which is treated with antibiotic ointment. Lacerations are a common injury from the physical impact of bottle rockets, which have often struck people in their eye, oftentimes blinding them.

"People will not use fireworks

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World Jewish Population Nears Levels Before Holocaust

JERUSALEM (AP) — The world's Jewish population has grown to be nearly as large as it was before the Holocaust, an Israeli think tank said in its annual report Sunday.

The Jewish People Policy Institute said there are currently 14.2 million Jews in the world. When factoring in individuals with one Jewish parent and others who identify as partially Jewish, the figure approaches 16.5 million — the Jewish population on the eve of World War II. The Nazis and their collaborators murdered about 6 million Jews in the Holocaust.

The report said the rise has been due in part to natural growth, mainly in Israel, which has about 6.1 million Jews and one of the Western world's highest fertility rates.

But it also linked the growth to "changing patterns of Jewish identification." It said that 59 percent of adult children in the U.S. who have just one Jewish parent now identify as Jewish, a majority "for the first time in memory."

Avinoam Bar-Yosef, the institute's president, said more of those Jews were probably identifying as Jewish because it is more "respectable" to be Jewish in the U.S. than it was years ago. He also said Birthright-Israel, which organizes educational trips to Israel for young Jewish people, is likely having an impact.



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